

-- "Series of 1874" - RED - Montreal Division - "BOXES" - for Warehousing - 60 x 112 mm. ---

Chris Ryan, "Canadian Revenue Newsletter", No. 39, May 2002

"The CADDY excise stamp was redesigned in 1871, with the first delivery by BABN occurring at the end of July. ... New BOXES stamps were added later in red (pre-October 1873) and in black (post-October 1873). Initially and predominantly, these new upright rectangular stamps were printed from steel plates, with some later production by lithographic transfers. Lithographic versions included a small 1882 shipment of green caddy stamps for use in Montreal. This green caddy stamps was only produced by lithography.

The blue Customs versions of the new box and caddy stamps did not appear until 1881, following the December 1880 assumption by the Revenue Department of responsibility for the procurement of Customs tobacco stamps. The entire supply of these Customs stamps was printed by lithography.

In September 1874 the Revenue Department authorized the preparation of the first Division-specific stamps for manufactured tobacco. These stamps bear the printed name of the Revenue Division and signature of its Collector in the spaces previously left blank to be filled in by hand or rubberstamp. The first of these personalized stamps were prepared for use in Montreal and Toronto. It is surmised that similar stamps for other Divisions were subsequently introduced overtime as warranted by numbers used."

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Chris Ryan, "Canadian Revenue Newsletter", No. 40, December 2002

"Passage of the 1880 Statute affected the 'large' tobacco stamps in two significant ways. The first effect was the deletion of the reference on the stamps to the previous Statute **XXXI VICT. CAP. VIII**. On July 1st 1880, BABN was instructed by the Revenue Department to remove all references to the old Statute from the existing printing plates. ... The second effect was the overprinting of the Box stamps with the new weight limit of **one hundred and ten pounds**. ... The timing of this overprinting, which is known reading both up and down in different type faces and colours, has not yet been determined by this writer. Lee Brandom lists as **RM-224** a "Montreal" Division red Box stamp with **XXXI VICT. CAP. VIII** removed, but without the weight restriction added. However, the price quoted by Brandom for this stamp indicates that he thought it to be a very rare item. This extreme scarcity is perhaps an indication that the decision to overprint the weight limit was made soon after the new design of Box stamps had been prepared."

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Lee Brandom lists the Montreal Division, red, BOXES, warehousing stamps as follows:

**RM-188** - BOXES, Montreal Division, red, perf 12, on *block watermarked* thick wove, 5 mm. control numbers

**RM-224** - BOXES, Montreal Division, red, perf 12, on *block watermarked* thick wove, with 5 mm. control numbers  
with **XXXI VICT. CAP VIII** removed from the top

**RM-227** - RM-224 overprinted with **Not to cover more than 110 lbs.** in upper and lower case letters, reading up

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**1st BABN Contract** (1868-1873)

John McKay records that 193,980 *recess printed* copies of "Tobacco Boxes, W. H. E. Red" and 138,522 *lithographed* copies of "Red Tobacco" stamps were delivered. DIVISION OPEN

Lee Brandom lists the square red BOXES stamp as *lithographed*. The *recess printed* entry is the first record of the preparation of the red 1872 Division "Open" vertically oriented **RM-69**.

**2nd BABN Contract** (1873-1878)

John McKay records the 'delivery' of 198,000 *recess printed* copies of "Red Boxes". Judging by the dated Red CADDY stamps, 132,000 were for Montreal, and 66,000 were for Toronto.

**3rd BABN Contract** (1878-1886)

John McKay records the 'delivery' of 145,000 *recess printed* copies of "Red Boxes". These were probably the *J. L. Vincent* stamps for Montreal.

Red BOXES W.H.E. stamps - 277,000 for Montreal and 66,000 for Toronto

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--- “Series of 1874” - Montreal Division - RED – “BOXES” - 2nd BABN Contract (1873-78) ---

--- RM-188 - recess printed on *block watermarked horizontal mesh thick wove* ---

--- perforated 12 - 60 x 112 mm. - with 5 mm. blue control numbers - scanned at 75% scale ---

--- “W. H. Entry No.” ..... on the 4th line - inscribed *Dunbar Browne / Collector I.R.* ---



★RM-188 - BOXES, Montreal Division, red, perforated 12, with 5 mm. blue control number **34079**, recess printed on *block watermarked horizontal mesh thick wove*, used by Licensee # 4, dated 19 - 76 in April 1876, for 63 pounds of *Cavendish*, Entry No. 1179

★RM-188 - BOXES, Montreal Division, red, perforated 12, with 5 mm. blue control number **98486**, recess printed on *block watermarked horizontal mesh thick wove*, used by Licensee # 4, dated 12 - 77 in December 1877, for 105 pounds of *Cavendish*, Entry No. 8414

<b>19726</b>	08/75	RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, by Licensee # 4, for 106 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> , dated 4 - 75, W.H. Entry # 2556
<b>20162</b>	08/75	RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, by Licensee # 4, for 105 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> , dated 4 - 75, W.H. Entry # 2556
<b>20166★</b>	08/75	RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, by Licensee # 4, for 105 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> , dated 4 - 75, W.H. Entry # 2556
<b>20178</b>	08/75	RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, by Licensee # 4, for 105 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> , dated 4 - 75, W.H. Entry # 2556
<b>20554</b>	08/75	RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, by Licensee # 4, for 107 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> , dated 4 - 75, W.H. Entry # 2556
<b>34079★</b>	04/76	RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, by Licensee # 4, for 63 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> , dated 19 - 76, W.H. Entry No. 11756.
<b>49851</b>	09/76	RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, by Licensee # 4, on 104 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> , dated 6 - 76, W.H. Entry No. 3452
<b>61626</b>	12/76	RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, by Licensee # 4, on 104 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> , dated 12 - 76, W.H. Entry No. 8058
<b>63244</b>	01/77	RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, by Licensee # 4, on 62 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> , dated 13 - 77, W.H. Entry No. 8240
<b>78230</b>		RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, creased, dirty, and unreadable on eBay
<b>98486★</b>	12/77	RM-188 BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, block wmkd wove paper, by Licensee # 4, for 105 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> , dated 12 - 77

--- “Series of 1874” - Montreal Division - RED - “BOXES” - 3rd BABN Contract (1880) ---

--- RM-226n - recess printed on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh thick wove - perforated 12 ---

--- 60 x 112 mm. - *without* control numbering - scanned at 75% scale ---

--- *with the inscription* “XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII” *removed from the top* ---

--- “*W. H. Entry No.*”..... on the 4th line - inscribed *J. L. Vincent / Collector I.R.* ---

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Lee Brandom lists the Montreal Division, red, BOXES, warehousing stamps as follows:

**RM-226** - BOXES, Montreal Division, red, perf 12, on *block watermarked* thick wove, with 5 mm. control numbers with XXXI VICT. CAP VIII removed from the top - **WANTED!**

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The collection contains only **RM-226n** and is missing the block watermarked *control-numbered* **RM-226**, inscribed *J. L. Vincent* as Collector, with XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII removed from the top.



★ **RM-226n** - BOXES, Montreal, red, perforated 12, without control numbering,  
recess printed on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh thick wove paper,  
with the inscription XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII removed from the top - inscribed *J. L. Vincent / Collector I.R.*

Chris Ryan records that *J.L. Vincent* became the Primary Collector at Montreal on July 1st 1879, succeeding *Dunbar Browne* who held the post from June 1st 1874 until January 31st 1879. *Vincent* had served as Acting Collector in the six month interim period.

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--- RM-227 - recess printed on block watermarked horizontal mesh thick wove - 60 x 112 mm. - perforated 12 ---

--- “W. H. Entry No.” ..... on the 4th line - with 5 mm. blue control numbers - inscribed J. L. Vincent / Collector I.R. ---

--- with the inscription “XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII” removed from the top - scanned at 75% scale ---

--- overprinted **Not to cover more than 110 lbs.** reading vertically up in 3 mm. Roman letters ---

Lee Brandom lists the Montreal Division, red, BOXES, warehousing stamps as follows:

RM-227 - RM-226 overprinted with **Not to cover more than 110 lbs.** in upper and lower case letters, reading up



**RM-227** - BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perforated 12, with 5 mm. blue control number **222321**, recess printed on block watermarked horizontal mesh thick wove, with XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII removed from the top overprinted “**Not to cover more than 110 lbs.**” (reading vertically up), dated 12 - 81 by Licensee # 4 in December 1881, for 73 pounds of Cavendish, with W. H. Entry # 3880 - *from the collection of Fritz Angst*

<b>222321</b>	12/81	RM-227	BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, on block watermarked wove, by Licensee # 4, for 73 lbs. Cavendish, Entry No. 3880, dated 12 - 81
<b>267950</b>		RM-227	BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, on block watermarked wove
<b>267981</b>		RM-227	BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, on block watermarked wove
<b>267987</b> ★		RM-227	BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, on block watermarked wove
<b>268003</b>		RM-227	BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, on block watermarked wove, a top copy with the “Montreal” only imprint
<b>268008</b> ★		RM-227	BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, on block watermarked wove, a bottom copy with the “Montreal” only imprint
<b>268025</b>		RM-227	BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, on block watermarked wove
<b>268032-33</b>		RM-227	BOXES, red, Montreal Division, perf 12, on block watermarked wove, an inscription block of four
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stamps were discontinued as of July 1st 1883. At that time the copies were recalled.

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--- The John McKay 'delivery' records - for Red "Boxes" ---

2nd BABN Contract (1873-1878) -	198,000 - includes Division Specific stamps
3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) -	<u>145,000</u> - includes Division Specific stamps
	343,000

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--- the control number ranges - as recorded to date ---

<b>RM-188</b> - BOXES, Montreal, red, perf 12, on <i>block wmkd</i> thick wove, 5 mm. controls	- <b>19726</b> to <b>98486</b>
<b>RM-224</b> - BOXES, Montreal, red, perf 12, on <i>block wmkd</i> thick wove, 5 mm. controls, inscribed <i>J. L. Vincent</i> with XXXI VICT. --- CAP. VIII removed	- no numbered copies
<b>RM-227</b> - BOXES RM-224 overprinted with <b>Not to cover more than 110 lbs.</b>	- <b>222321</b> to <b>268038</b>
<b>RM-229</b> - BOXES, Toronto, red, perf 12, <i>block wmkd</i> thick wove, 5 mm. controls	- no numbered copies
<b>RM-230?</b> - BOXES RM-229 overprinted <b>Not to cover more than 110 lbs.</b> reading up	- <b>02500</b> to <b>08122</b>

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--- collected to date ---

<b>RM-188 / 227</b> -	268,038
<b>RM-193 / 229</b> -	<u>8,122</u>
	276,160

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